# GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
# AGRICULTURE
# LOK SABHA

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PRODUCTS OF MULTINATIONAL COMPANIES
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**Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:**

(a) whether products of Multi-National Companies (MNCs) are dominating Indian agricultural products.

(b) if so, whether the Government have reviewed the Centrally Sponsored Scheme for agricultural products;

(c) if so, the details thereof; and

(d) the effective steps being taken to encourage the use of Indian agricultural products?

## Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI HUKUMDEO NARAYAN YADAV)

(a): No, Sir.

(b) & (c): Does not arise.

(d): The Government have initiated various measures to promote export of agricultural products. These, inter alia, include setting up of agri export zones to provide enhance international market access and improved infrastructural facilities, better flow of credit, assistance for reducing the marketing costs such as for transport, handling and processing on export of selected agricultural commodities as also removal of export restrictions like requirement for registration, packaging, etc. Besides various agriculture development schemes providing assistance to farmers on agricultural inputs such as seeds, fertilizers, irrigation, insecticides, pesticides as also for research & development and extension for reducing production costs and for improving efficiency of agricultural production are also being implemented.